

Please amend the Claims as follows:

1.(currently amended) A ground cover removal attachment for a vehicle for moving a sheet ground cover while on the ground, comprising an arm with a connection at one end of the arm for mounting the arm to a vehicle so that the arm in an operating position extends outwardly of one side of the vehicle, and a brace member connected to the arm intermediate of the length thereof at one end of the brace member and comprising at an opposite end of the brace member a connection for connecting the brace member to the vehicle, the arm comprising an outer end of the arm shaped to engage the ground cover on one side of the ground cover to move the ground cover to the side of the vehicle as the vehicle moves alongside the ground cover, said shaped outer end comprising one part adapted to move beneath a side margin of the ground cover and another part adapted to contact a side edge of the ground cover as the vehicle moves alongside the ground cover, and a brace member adapted to be connected to the arm intermediate of the length thereof at one end of the brace member, and to the vehicle at another end of the brace membersaid connection at one end of the arm for mounting the arm to a vehicle and said connection for connecting the brace member to the vehicle comprising pivot connections which enable the arm mounted to a vehicle and the brace member connected to the vehicle to both be pivoted together between said operating position and a non-operating position in which non-operating position the arm and brace member do not extend outwardly of the vehicle.

2.(Cancelled)

3.(Currently amended) A ground cover removal attachment for a vehicle according to claim [[2]] 1 wherein the part adapted to move beneath the side margin of the ground cover has a lateral dimension in a direction generally away from the arm which is greater than a height dimension of the part adapted to contact a side edge of the ground cover.

4.(Currently amended) A ground cover attachment for a vehicle according to claim [[2]] 1 wherein a further part of the shaped end of the arm extends from the side edge contacting part in a direction generally away from the arm.

5.(Currently amended) A ground cover attachment for a vehicle according to claim [[2]] 1 wherein the part of the shaped end of the arm adapted to move beneath a side margin of the ground cover includes a cranked outer end.

6.(Cancelled)

7.(Cancelled)

8.(Cancelled)

9.(Currently amended) A ground cover removal attachment according to claim [[6]] 1 wherein the connection point of the brace member to the arm is adjustable over a part of the length of the arm.

10.(Currently amended) A ground cover removal attachment according to claim [[6]] 1 of dimensions enabling the arm to be connected to a quad bike, at a forward part between the front wheels thereof with said another end of the brace arm connected to a side part of the quad bike between the wheels on one side of the quad bike.

11.(Previously presented) A ground cover removal attachment according to claim 1 wherein the arm is telescopically adjustable in length.

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12.(Previously presented) A ground cover removal attachment according to claim 1 including a friction reducing cover or coating on the outer end of the arm.

13.(Cancelled)

14.(Previously presented) A vehicle with a ground cover removal arm according to claim 1 mounted thereto.

15.(Original) A vehicle and ground cover removal arm in combination according to claim 14 wherein the arm is mounted to project forwardly relative to the direction of motion of the vehicle in use, at an acute angle relative to a line transverse to the direction of motion of the vehicle in use.

16.(Previously presented) A vehicle and ground cover removal arm in combination according to claim 14 wherein the vehicle is a quad bike.

17.(Cancelled)

18.(Cancelled)

19.(Cancelled)

20.(Previously presented) A vehicle and ground cover removal arm in combination according to claim 15 wherein the vehicle is a quad bike.